

Gus, who is Co-Chair of the Military Veterans Caucus, today met with Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Admiral Mike Mullen during the Caucus's 111th Congress kick-off event. At the event, Admiral Mullen spoke about his experience with Wounded Warriors and engaged in Q&A with Members.

Gus had this to say after the event:

*"Admiral Mullen has taken an active role in ensuring wounded warriors and their families receive the highest level of care during and after their service. I was pleased that he took time to meet with the Military Veterans Caucus this morning. We have over 35,000 wounded warriors that have returned from Iraq and Afghanistan. They will face a lifetime of physical and invisible injuries. We must mobilize our resources to take care of our wounded veterans."*

To help achieve that goal, Gus joined with Congressman Adam Putnam (R-Fla.) in sponsoring [H.R. 309, the American Heroes' Homeownership Assistance Act of 2009](#)

. If passed, the bill would provide a tax credit to service members and veterans who purchase a home. Gus has also co-sponsored H.R. 297, the Veteran Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Subsistence Allowance Improvement Act, which assists wounded warriors with vocational training.